



Coordination of Agricultural Research
In the Mediterranean Area

ARIMNet2

Young Researchers Seminar

29 May – 3 June 2016
Montpellier, France

“How to better involve end-users throughout the research process to foster innovation-driven research for a sustainable Mediterranean agriculture at the farm and local scales.”



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PROGRAMME

Sunday 29 May 2016

20:00: Welcome dinner (IAMM)

Monday 30 May 2016

8:30 – 8:40: **Welcome.** Dr Pascal BERGERET (Director IAMM, France))

8:40 – 9:00: **Opening - Presentation of ARIMNet2, of the Seminar's contents/structure and of the animation team.** Dr Florence JACQUET, ARIMNet2 Coordinator (INRA, France).

9:00 – 12:30: **Session “Involving End-Users in Research to boost Innovation”**

9:00 - 9:40: **Keynote speaker 1:** Dr Michel PETIT (IAMM, France). Historical perspective and research trends that have underpinned the question of the involvement of end-users in research and innovation processes.

9:50 – 10:30: **Keynote speaker 2:** Dr Hugo DE VRIES (INRA, France) – Innovation-driven research in Europe: how to identify and translate opportunities into R&D projects.

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00 – 15:30 **Experience from ARIMNet-funded projects**

11:00 – 11:40: **Case study: APMED** – Apple and Peach in Mediterranean orchards - Integrating tree water status and irrigation management for coping with water scarcity and aphid control. Dr Pierre-Éric LAURI, project coordinator (INRA, France)

11:50 – 12:30: **Case study: DOMESTIC** – Mediterranean biodiversity as a tool for the sustainable development of the small ruminant sector. Dr Christina LIGDA, project coordinator (Veterinary Research Institute of Thessaloniki - Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Greece).

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00 – 14:40: **Case study: REFORMA** – Resilient, water- and energy- Efficient Forage and feed crops for Mediterranean Agricultural systems. Dr Luciano PECHETTI, project collaborator (Consiglio per la ricerca in agricoltura e l'analisi dell'economia agraria (CREA), Italy).

14:50 – 15:30: **Case study: PoH-MED** - Potato Health Managed for Efficiency and Durability. Dr Didier ANDRIVON, project coordinator (INRA Rennes, France).

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:00 – 17:00 – **Synthesis of the day.** Dr Bernard HUBERT, President of Agropolis International (France)

17:00 – 18:00 – **Debriefing and set up of the working groups for the next day**

19:30 *Social dinner (IAMM)*



Tuesday 31 May 2016

8:30 – 12:30: Session “*Working Groups on the 4 Study Cases*”

Working groups (6-7 participants, with the coordinators of each ARIMNet Project and two moderators) to analyse and discuss project's innovation aspects, the way the project involves end-users throughout the research process and the difficulties encountered, and to propose possible ways to enhance the innovation potential of the project (30-40 minutes in each group).

Project coordinators and/or collaborators: Dr Christina LIGDA & Dr Anne LAUVIE, Dr Didier ANDRIVON, Dr Luciano PECHETTI. Dr Pierre-Éric LAURI & TBC

Animation team: Ms Maha HAMMAMI, Dr Fatima EL HADAD-GAUTHIER, Ms Marie OLLAGNON, Dr Fabrice GOURIVEAU, Dr Jean François TOURRAND, Dr Danilo MARANDOLA.

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch*

14:00 – 17:30 Session “*Working Groups' Results*”

- Presentations of the results from each Working Group.
- Debate and synthesis.
- Preparation of a synthetic ARIMNet output (e.g. grid with collectively defined comparative criteria).

19:30 *Social dinner (IAMM)*

Wednesday 1 June 2016

8:30 – 12:00: Session “*Flash Presentation of Research Projects*”

Each participant briefly shares her/his current or intended research project, focusing on innovation and involvement of end-users; 4 min/project (5 slides max., following provided template) (After the seminar, the participants will receive a compilation of all the flash presentations).

Participants will then be asked to express their affinity with regard to all projects.

10:30 – 10:45 *Coffee Break*

12:00 – 20:00: Field trip: visit of the *Pacte Pastoral des Cévennes, Valleraugue: co-construction of a social resiliency* (Olivier BARRIERE (IRD) et Rémy LEENHARDT, Farmer).

* *Bring comfortable shoes and clothes, a cap, a small backpack, sun cream, a camera, your medicines if you take some, etc.*

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch (Pick-nick in the Cévennes National Park)*

20:30 *Social dinner (IAMM)*



Thursday 2 June 2016

8:30 – 10:30: Session “How to Build a Collaborative Project? – From the Concept to the Project Proposal”

- Call identification, partner search, write up of the conceptual note, write up of the full proposal, etc.

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 17:30: Session “Let’s Build New Collaborative Projects”

- Groups of 3-5 young researchers and discussion based on the research projects presented the day before.
- The aim is to share ideas of research projects and to build new collaborative proposals focused on the involvement of end-users throughout the research and innovation process: identification of the research topic, formulation of a few relevant questions / hypotheses, proposition of a suitable methodology and schedule, and listing of the main expected results/impacts.

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

19:30 Social dinner (IAMM)

Friday 3 June 2016

8:30 – 10:15: Session “Presentation of the New Collaborative Projects”

- Presentation of the collaborative research projects and debate.
- Debriefing and institutional issues to strengthen collaboration

10:15 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:30: Session “Preparation of the AKIS conference (October 2016, Antalya, Turkey)”

- **Collective design of methodological guidelines on how to involve end-users and promote innovation**
 - Constraints and tools to enhance the involvement of end-users throughout the research process applied to “Innovation driven research”;
 - Can the involvement of end-users in the research process increase the innovation potential of research projects and how?
- **Identification of young Mediterranean researchers’ needs: brainstorming to build propositions on how to strengthen the capacity/training of young researchers in the Mediterranean region**
 - How can young scientists be supported by the Agricultural Research Systems in order to involve end-users and develop the innovation impact of their projects? What are their needs? What are their recommendations to funders? Are there any concrete tools or actions that could be useful for them?

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:30: Session “Evaluation and next Steps”

- Individual and collective evaluation
- Prospects of the network

19:30 Farewell dinner (IAMM)



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